

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES

OF THE

Cemetery of Mount Auburn,

TOGETHER WITH

THE REPORTS

OF THE

TREASURER AND SUPERINTENDENT.

JANUARY, 1869.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT.

AMONG the occurrences worthy of note in the last year's history of Mount Auburn, is the purchase of two lots or pieces of land situated on the outside of the Cemetery, and separated from it by an intervening road. One of these, sometimes called the "Stone Meadow," is situated on the easterly side of Coolidge Avenue, and has been bought of the heirs of Cornelius Stone, at the price of \$1000 per acre, the lot containing over five acres and a half, and costing the Corporation \$5,543.75. This lot, consisting in part of low or wet land, is to be used as a place of temporary deposit for stone, rubbish and building materials, thereby releasing a more valuable portion of land now used for the same purposes within the Cemetery. It is possible that, at some future time, the engine house with its appurtenances may be removed in the same direction, with the same economical purpose. The other purchase is that of a part of an acre of land, with a dwelling house thereon, situated nearly opposite the front gate of the Cemetery, and bought of A. McDonald, for \$4000. For various reasons, it was thought desirable that the Corporation should control this estate. *

The work of reclaiming low lands in eligible situations has gone steadily forward. The entire hill on which the Superintendent's house stood, thirteen years ago, has been

levelled, and the earth used to fill up the meadow about Halcyon Lake, and also to restore the necessary grade where made lands had settled, as in some parts of the Lawn, and of the meadow adjoining Thistle Path. Considerable sums have been expended in completing the improvements in St. Paul's lot, Central Avenue, and the bank north of the Chapel. As the expense of these necessary improvements within the Cemetery has been shared by the Horticultural Society, an exact account of the sums expended for such purposes, has been rendered to them, and, with a view to prevent any future misapprehension, a new indenture of two parts has been signed and executed by the authorized agents of the two parties.

A decided progress has been made this winter in removing the superfluous trees and branches from the Cemetery. About one hundred and seventy-five cords of wood have already been piled for sale, and much more will be removed during the winter. A marked improvement is already obvious in the variety of the landscape, the extent of the prospect, and the admission of sunlight to the ground. The work of this removal is slow and laborious, owing to the necessity of taking down the trees piecemeal, to avoid danger to neighboring monuments and works of art.

A new boiler of increased size has been procured for the steam engine, and, for its accommodation, an addition has been made to the engine-house, the whole at a cost of about eleven hundred dollars.

A lease having been taken by the Corporation, of rooms at No. 16 Pemberton Square, in Boston, for ten years, it was decided by the Trustees to place the offices of the Secretary and Treasurer in the same building. At this time, George

W. Bond, Esq., who had acceptably filled the office of Treasurer for twenty-six years, resigned that office, and the Trustees subsequently elected Austin J. Coolidge, Esq., to fill both offices of Secretary and Treasurer, a condensation of duties, which, it is hoped, will prove economical to the Corporation, and convenient to the proprietors.

By the Treasurer's Report, it appears that the Permanent Fund, for the future support and preservation of the Cemetery, has increased to \$89,818.13. The Repair Fund is now \$49,836.24; and the estimated balance in cash and invested disposable property is \$48,626.65, exclusive of the real estate owned by the Corporation outside of the Cemetery.

For the Trustees,

JACOB BIGELOW, *President.*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

To the Trustees of Mount Auburn Cemetery,

GENTLEMEN,—

In accordance with the requirements of the Trustees, I herewith transmit the Annual Report of the Superintendent, for the year ending December 31st, 1868, as per account of his department.

IMPROVEMENTS.

Number of New Lots graded and bounded with Granite Posts, - - - - -	61
" " Old Lots improved by being newly graded and sodded, - - - - -	195
" " Old Lots bounded with Granite Posts, - - - - -	12
" " Lots enclosed with Granite, - - - - -	81
" " Iron Fences erected, - - - - -	4
" " Tombs built, - - - - -	2
" " Monuments erected, - - - - -	38
" " Linear feet of Gutters paved, - - - - -	744

INTERMENT RECORD.

Total number of Interments as per last Report, - - - - -	14,821
Number of Original Interments for year ending December 31, 1868, - - - - -	446
" " Removals from other Cemeteries, - - - - -	105
Total number of Interments for the year, - - - - -	551
" " " " in Cemetery to date, - - - - -	15,372
Of the above, there were Deposits in Receiving Tomb, - - - - -	46
Interments in Public Lots, - - - - -	21

THE REMOVALS IN AND FROM THE CEMETERY WERE AS FOLLOWS:

To the Receiving Tomb, - - - - -	1
" Receiving Tomb Lot, - - - - -	0
" Public Lots, - - - - -	7
" Private Lots, - - - - -	75
	83
From Cemetery, - - - - -	20
Total number of Removals, - - - - -	103

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL L. WINSOR,

Superintendent of Mount Auburn Cemetery.

Mount Auburn, December 31, 1868.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The TREASURER Reports the following Abstract of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES
for the Thirty-seventh year, 1868.*

He has received of sundry parties :—

For Sales of Lots and Graves in Public Lots, - - - - \$34,997.83

" Fees for Deeds and Transfers, and Sales of
Catalogues and Plans, - - - - \$767.87

Less moneys paid out by Secretary, - - - - 298.11

469.76

" Labor and Materials, - - - - 44,927.44

" Income from Investment and Rents, - - - - 4,192.28

From Massachusetts Horticultural Society,—

For one-quarter part cost of filling and improving

Lands, as follows :—

Garden Pond, - - - - \$4,050.29

Thistle Bog, - - - - 3,184.80

Building the Mound, - - - - 1,800.00

Mound Avenue, - - - - 207.40

St. Paul's Public Lot, - - - - 4,456.44

One-quarter of - - - \$13,698.93 is \$3,424.73

For one-quarter cost of Lots 567 and 592,

repurchased at \$315.00, - - - - 78.75

For balance due on old account, - - - - 9.93

3,513.41

For Notes Receivable—Note and Mortgage on Real Estate in

Boston, - - - - 4,000.00

\$92,100.72

He has paid to sundry parties :—

For balance due Treasurer at beginning of year, - - - - \$1,394.16

" Labor and Materials :—

Pay-Roll, - - - - \$32,836.76

Bricks, - - - - 1,600.82

Lumber, - - - - 224.09

Slates, - - - - 888.49

Lime and Cement, - - - - 593.40

Granite and Block Stone, - - - - 920.82

Iron, - - - - 564.41

Lead, - - - - 268.09

Smith-work, - - - - 245.18

Mason-work, - - - - 72.63

Amounts carried forward, - - - \$38,214.69 \$1,394.16 \$92,100.72

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	-	-	\$38,214.69	\$1,394.16	\$92,100.72
Tools, etc.,	-	-	-	527.72	
Paints and Oils,	-	-	-	345.31	
Sods,	-	-	-	3,365.51	
Teaming,	-	-	-	478.68	
Manure,	-	-	-	371.95	
Grain and Meal,	-	-	-	1,064.45	
Plants and Pots for Greenhouse and Cemetery,	-	-	-	813.84	
One Horse,	-	-	-	350.00	
Furnace for Chapel,	-	-	-	514.01	
Boiler for Engine,-	-	-	-	770.16	
Sundries,	-	-	-	5,085.12	
				<u>51,901.44</u>	

For Expenses,—Salaries:—

D. L. Winsor, Sup't, bal. last year's ac't,	-	\$631.75		
" " " Salary this year,	-	2,526.00		
Geo. Wm. Bond, Treas.,	"	"	416.67	
A. J. Coolidge,	"	"	583.33	
" " Sec'y,	"	"	1,350.00	
F. R. Bunker, Gatekeeper,	"	"	650.02	
James Derby, former "	-	-	63.83	
			<u>6,221.60</u>	
Rent of Office,	-	-	\$848.36	
Taxes,	-	-	374.79	
Insurance,	-	-	178.75	
Office Furniture,	-	-	214.00	
Sundries,	-	-	1,282.30	
			<u>2,898.20</u>	9,119.80
To the Mass. Horticultural Society, for its proportion of Sales,	-	-	8,399.46	
" " Mass. Hospital Life Ins. Co., for Permanent Fund,-	-	-	7,043.56	
For five Shares Capital Stock in Shawmut National Bank,-	-	-	500.00	
" the Stone Meadow, a little more than 5½ acres,	-	-	5,543.75	
" " Wyeth Estate, purchased of A. McDonald,	-	-	4,000.00	
" United States 5-20 Coupon Bond,	-	-	50.00	
Balance in hands of Treasurer,	-	-	4,148.55	
			<u></u>	<u>\$92,100.72</u>

FUND FOR REPAIRS.

Balance in Treasurer's hands, as per last report,	-	-	-	\$906.90
He has received:—				
For new and additional endowments,	-	-	-	5,840.97
" Income of Investments,-	-	-	-	3,667.28
" Notes Receivable,-	-	-	-	10,000.00
			<u></u>	\$20,415.15
He has paid for said account:—				
For care and improvement of Lots,	-	-	-	\$3,500.16
" Notes Receivable, secured by Mortgage and Collateral,-	-	-	-	14,000.00
There remains in his hands,	-	-	-	2,914.99
			<u></u>	<u>\$20,415.15</u>

The Property of the Corporation consists of:—

The Cemetery, which has cost to date, - - - - -	\$411,419.53
Statuary, - - - - -	15,365.20
Superintendent's House and Lot, - - - - -	6,892.91
Stone Meadow, - - - - -	5,543.75
Wyeth Estate, - - - - -	4,000.00

AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Stock in Shawmut National Bank, 20 Shares, - - -	\$2,000.00
" Atlantic National Bank, 20 " - - -	2,000.00
" Boston and Lowell Railroad, 4 Shares, - - -	2,000.00
" Fitchburg Railroad, 20 " - - -	2,000.00
United States 5-20 Bonds, \$29,450.00, cost, - - -	29,478.10
Notes Receivable, secured by Mortgage, - - -	7,000.00
Cash in hands of the Treasurer, - - -	4,148.55
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	48,626.65
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	\$491,848.04

PERMANENT FUND.

Deposited with Mass. Hospital Life Ins. Co., as per last report, -	\$77,979.26
Income of same for 1868, - - - - -	4,795.31
Deposited in December, 1868, - - - - -	7,043.56
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	\$89,818.13

REPAIR FUND.

Notes Receivable, secured by Mortgage and Collateral, - -	\$13,000.00
30 Shares Atlas National Bank, cost, - - - - -	2,970.00
15 Shares Boston and Albany Railroad, cost, - - - - -	1,202.50
United States 5-20 Bonds, \$29,300.00, cost, - - -	29,748.75
Cash in hands of Treasurer, - - - - -	2,914.99
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	\$49,836.24

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN J. COOLIDGE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, January 26, 1869.

This certifies that I have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn, for the year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-eight, and have found them correctly kept and properly balanced, with satisfactory vouchers for all payments charged.

The Certificates of Stocks and other evidences of property were found in accordance with the statements of his accounts.

In the General Account, there appears to be a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$4,148.55; and in the Fund for Repairs, of \$2,914.99.

CHARLES C. LITTLE,

Chairman of Finance Committee.

Boston, January 26, 1869.